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There is a strong indication that real efforts are being made to complete construction on the remaining sections of a railroad line which will give Yerevan a second connection with the Leninakan-Tbilisi railroad. This new line will go by way of the northwest end of Lake Sevan through Dilizhan (40-44N, 44-52E). From Dilizhan the line may follow the Akstafa River to its head waters and then down to Kirovakan (40-48N, 44-30E), on the present Leninakan-Tbilisi railroad. This connection through the back country,   is much less vulnerable than the present long loop which parallels the border.

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